

## Probers Hint Sabotage In Worst Air Tragedy

PARIS (AP) — Police, firemen and official investigators combed through a wide forest area today seeking bits of wreckage from a Turkish Airlines DC10 jet that crashed with a loss of 346 lives, the big-

gest toll in civil aviation history. Experts estimated that a careful search of the area covering several square miles might take a week. Only part of the black box with vital recordings of the plane's functioning

has been found and top priority is being given to finding other pieces.

Personal effects of the passengers were being piled together. Bits of clothing caught in tree branches waved

forlornly in the light wind.

The newspaper France-Soir said it had received two anonymous telephone calls saying that "this was done voluntarily. It was definitely an attack." The two calls seemed to

come from the same man who claimed he was a member of the "Liberal Front," which he said was a political movement started outside France. There was no way of confirming his statements.

The American-built airliner crashed in the Ermenonville forest, 23 miles north of Paris, five minutes after it took off from Orly Airport Sunday on a flight from Istanbul to London. Turkish Airlines said the plane was loaded to capacity with 334 passengers and 12 crew members.

There was no indication when the casualty list would be made public. But the airline's European manager said the names of 200 to 250 of the passengers indicated they were British or American, and about 40 Japanese were aboard.

The weather was sunny, and no hint of trouble came from the plane. But "the fact that debris and bodies were found in a village more than 10 kilometers (6 miles) from the accident tends to prove that an explosion occurred in flight," said Aymar Achille-Fould, a top official of the French Transport Ministry.

Persons in the area of the crash said they heard an explosion, but they could not agree whether it occurred before or after the plane hit the ground.

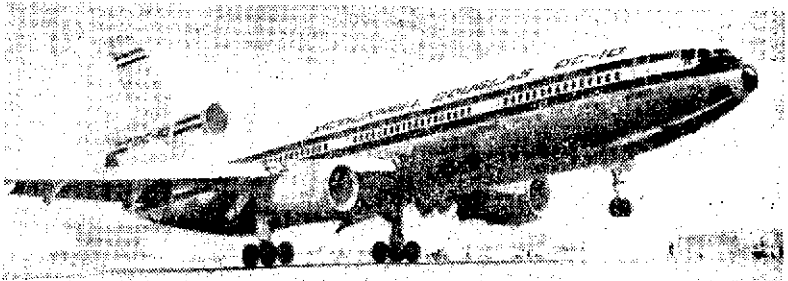
Turkey's communications minister, Ferda Guley, said "considering the world situation," he did not rule out sabotage.

Part of the plane's flight recorder was found before dark Sunday, and searchers were looking for the rest in hopes that it would give some clue to what happened in the minutes between takeoff and crash.

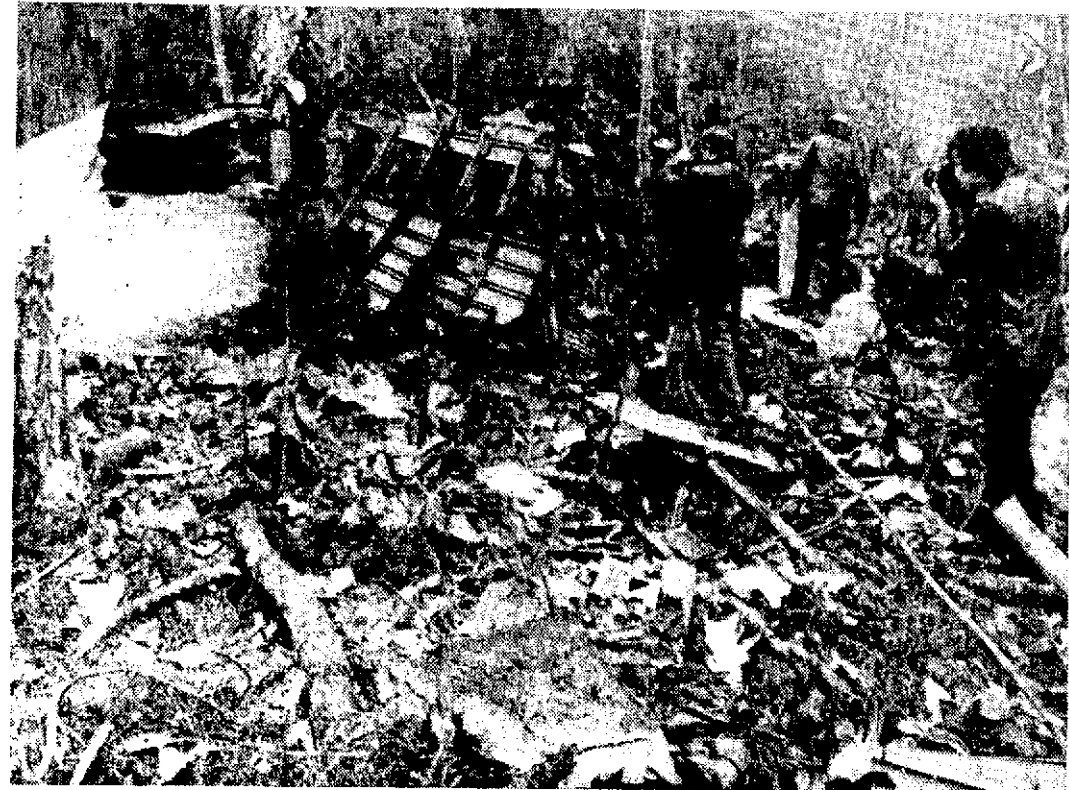
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**BODY REMOVED:** Workers carry the body of one of the 345 victims of the Turkish Airlines DC10 jet which crashed in the Ermenonville forest, north of Paris, Sunday. The plane, which was on a flight from Istanbul to London with a stopover in Paris, crashed five minutes after taking off from Orly airport. (AP Wirephoto)



**TYPE OF JET THAT CRASHED:** This DC10 is the same type as the Turkish jetliner that crashed north of Paris Sunday killing all 345 persons aboard, officials said. The plane carried 334 passengers and 11 crew members. (AP Wirephoto)



**WORST AIR DISASTER:** Cameramen take photos of the fuselage of the Turkish Airlines DC10 jumbojet which crashed into Ermenonville forest, north of Paris, killing all of the 345 persons aboard Sunday. It was the worst disaster in civil aviation history. The plane had taken off from Orly airport five minutes earlier on a flight from Istanbul to London. (AP Wirephoto)

## Arab Hijackers Disgruntled Over British, U.S. Action

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — Two young Arabs who hijacked a British airliner and surrendered say their group plans to attack other British and American planes because the countries supported Israel in the October war.

The Arabs surrendered peacefully to Dutch police Sunday after releasing the 92 passengers and 10 crew members of the hijacked British VC10, drenching the inside of the \$6.9 million jet with the plane's liquor supply and then setting it afire on a runway at Schiphol Airport.

Two persons suffered minor injuries sliding out of the plane, Dutch authorities reported. The aircraft was virtually destroyed.

A Dutch civil aviation official said the hijackers made no demands when they surrendered but said in broken English they had to "take action. We had no alternative. Politics amounts to nothing."

The official said the pair were armed with small Czech pistols but were persuaded to unload them and hand over the ammunition.

Maj. Erik Gerritsen, head of the Dutch state police at the airport, said the men identified themselves only as Abu Said and Abu Ali. One of them told a Dutch official he lived on the West Bank of the Jordan river until Israel occupied the area in the 1967 war, but

they would give no more information about themselves.

The Palestine Liberation Organization, which unites the major Palestine guerrilla groups, disclaimed any connection with the hijacking and denounced such operations.

The plane was on a flight from Bombay to London, and the two hijackers were believed to be among 25 passengers who boarded in Beirut. They took over the airliner 90 minutes later while it was over Yugoslavia.

Airport sources at Beirut reported, apparently incorrectly, that the hijackers would take the plane to Athens in an effort to win immediate freedom for two Palestinian guerrillas who killed five persons and wounded 55 others at the Athens airport last August. But instead the plane flew to Amsterdam.

Officials at Schiphol, Holland's international airport, said they tried to keep the flight from landing but granted permission after the hijackers told the control tower they had only enough fuel for 20 more minutes.

Upon landing, the hijackers began pouring the plane's liquor supply over seats and carpets, told the passengers to leave and, while some were still disembarking, set the aircraft on fire.

"I thought, 'What a shameful way to treat good Scotch,'" said the plane's 51-year-old pilot, Colin Harrison.

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## Twin Cities Get Taste Of Summer

By JERRY KRIEGER  
County-Farm Editor

March winds and May temperatures gave southwestern Michigan residents a foretaste of spring Sunday—even sending a number of golfers out onto area courses.

With the official end of winter nearly three weeks away, the mercury hit a record 71 degrees in the twin cities Sunday afternoon. The U.S. Weather Service said the old record high for the day was 61 degrees in 1894 at Grand Rapids—the closest station for which records are available.

Gale winds out of the south to southwest were reported to have hit gust peaks of 55 miles an hour. But waves on Lake Michigan reached only

a reported three feet off the St. Joseph coast guard station. Officials at the St. Joseph water plant said ice along the shoreline and considerable floating ice floes in the water held down the wave action. However, further north along the lake, waves were measured around 7 feet by the Holland coast guard.

With unseasonably warm weather expected to continue into tomorrow, rain drenched the area this morning. Occasional lightning accompanied the rainfall.

Law enforcement and utility company officials reported little if any damage from the winds Sunday.

Temperatures were expected to get into the 50s today and again Tuesday.

## Associates' Pleas Convince Golda To Change Mind

JERUSALEM (AP) — Premier Golda Meir delayed submission of her resignation today as a stream of political colleagues called at her home to urge her to remain at the head of the Israeli government.

Mrs. Meir telephoned President Ephraim Katzir early today and told him she would call on him this morning to return her mandate to form a new Israeli government because of

criticism of the new minority cabinet she had lined up.

But a night's sleep and the pleading of her associates in the Labor Alignment apparently cooled Mrs. Meir's anger. A spokesman said she put off the visit to Katzir until late afternoon, and other aides said she was waiting to see if her associates could swing dissident members of the party behind her cabinet list.

Mrs. Meir announced her resignation at a meeting of Labor party executives Sunday night after some of her party's members in parliament criticized the new minority government she planned to present Tuesday.

"This is my final decision," said the 75-year-old grandmother as she stalked out of the party caucus.

Party leaders flocked to Mrs. Meir's Jerusalem home and pleaded until past midnight with her to continue at the head of the government. But Deputy

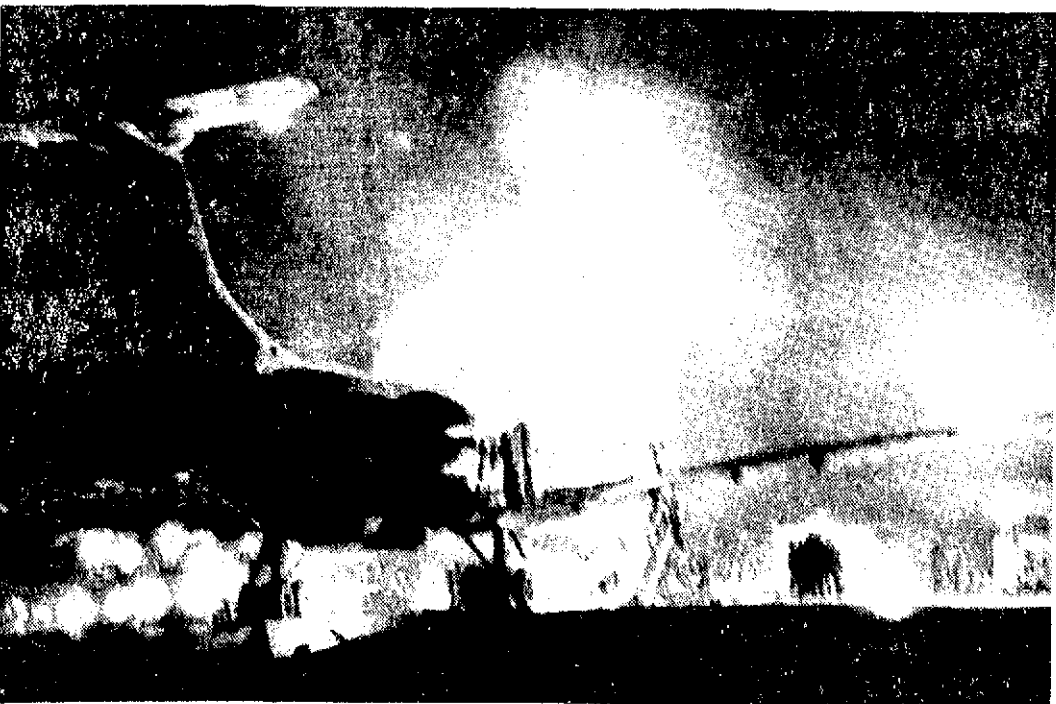
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### PCP--Not LSD

A story on a county-wide drug raid by the Berrien Metro Narcotics squad in the Feb. 26 edition of this newspaper incorrectly stated that Randy Hushower, 19, of 2112 Baldwin, Niles, was arrested on a charge of delivery of LSD. Hushower was arrested on a charge of delivery of PCP, and demanded examination on the charge during arraignment in district court. Metro personnel said PCP is a tranquilizer for animals.



**MISS HARTFORD:** Debra Litchnerowicz, a Benton Harbor high school senior who lives with her parents in Hartford, was selected Miss Hartford in pageant ceremonies Saturday night. She wore a gown of candy pink accented by a high neckline and long sleeves. The Litchnerowicz family recently moved to Hartford from Benton Harbor and Debra is being allowed to complete schooling at Benton Harbor high school, according to Hartford officials. See story on page 31. (Tom Renner photo)



**HIJACKED JET IN FLAMES:** A British jet hijacked en route from Beirut to London burns Sunday night in Amsterdam, where it landed after permission to set down in Athens was refused. The pilot said the two hijackers, who some passengers

said were members of a Palestinian group, used the jet's whiskey supply to set it afire after allowing 102 passengers and crew members to disembark. The hijackers were taken into custody. (AP Wirephoto)

THE HERALD-PRESS

Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher  
Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

'An...Eerie Gift For  
Choosing Shabby People'

An average of four opinion polls shows that only 27 per cent of the American public approve the way President Nixon is handling his job. This mid-February count compares with the President's all-time low point of 26 per cent in mid-January. But in the wake of the seven indictments and the secret envelope put out by the Watergate grand jury last Friday, Richard Nixon could shortly be establishing a new low.

The New York Times, Newsweek magazine and other sources claimed over the weekend that the secret envelope handed U.S. Judge John J. Sirica definitely ties the Chief Executive to the Watergate hush money payoff. Judge Sirica is expected this week to turn the contents of the envelope over to the House judiciary committee studying possible impeachment proceedings against the President. Or Sirica might even choose to make the grand jury statement public.

The grand jury is expected to add more indictments by midweek to the seven issued Friday against former high Nixon aides.

All of which can widen the Nixon credibility gap. Even presuming those under indictment to be innocent till proven guilty, the situation already smells like the proverbial rotten mackerel. Not even Brut by the

gallon can keep the man who was on top of it all, Richard Nixon, free of bad odor.

The Republican party lost Congressional by-elections in Pennsylvania and Michigan last month at least partially because of Watergate. GOP leaders are nervously watching two more special House elections that come up tomorrow in Ohio and California. Both are normally "safe" Republican districts. If they go Democratic, Richard Nixon may lose the last of his GOP loyalists.

Perhaps Alistair Cooke, Britain's "Mr. America," explains President Nixon's present situation as charitably as anyone can. Writing about Presidents he has known, Cooke says this of Richard M. Nixon in yesterday's edition of Parade magazine:

"I think he is an extremely complicated man, but I don't believe he, personally, is as sinister as some people make him out. His great failing, it seems to me, is that he is a terrible judge of men. And the question that arises is whether in this age we can afford to have such a man in the White House—a man who has an absolutely eerie gift for choosing shabby people."

Something else that is eerie is how much Cooke's description of Nixon sounds like Warren Harding and Teapot Dome.

Women's Lib Collapses  
Tables Down At Mory's

Probably one of the most famous taverns in America is one most citizens have never seen. But they have heard it idolized for generations through the "Whiffenpoof Song."

After 110 years as a male bastion of serendipity and suds, Mory's the Yale campus pub, has had its license yanked by the Connecticut Supreme Court.

Club rules were mentioned, but the real issue seems to have been Mory's

all-male tradition. The state liquor commission charged the club with discrimination against women as well in a 1972 decision.

Of course Mory's discriminated against women. The whole point of its existence for more than a century was a convivial fellowship for males only. Even the song which made it famous has a few words for the current squabble: "Baa, baa, baaaaa."

A Valuable Lesson  
From The Energy Crisis

No one seems to know how long the energy disruption will continue or what is required to clear it away. Nonexistent also are predictions that at some point in the future conditions will return to normal — meaning fuel availability at cheap prices.

With all the accompanying confusion, disillusionment and inconvenience, a valuable lesson is emerging from the fuel emergency. It could have wide-ranging influences in a number of fields of public interest

unrelated to the energy problem.

The lesson is that Washington does not have all the answers to problems, in fact may not be a good problem-solver. This is a statement some people have been making for years but until now it was largely disregarded.

As a result of public dissatisfaction over current federal plans for resolving the energy squeeze, particularly in gasoline, a number of states and local communities have tackled the problem themselves. It is an uneven task, because local governments have no power over allocations of fuels or prices, but they can adopt pseudo rationing plans in attempts to equalize distribution with their boundaries and perhaps cut down on backups at the pumps.

Regardless of whether these attempts are successful, they mark a major departure from dependence upon the federal government. If enough people are willing to attack common problems at the local levels instead of shifting both the problems and responsibilities (which translates into power) to Washington, a new sense of awakening will appear across the land.

Who's Watching  
Big Brother?

There reportedly are about 750 data banks in the federal government, full of information about individuals. Which makes one wonder who's checking up on the data bankers — and fear the answer is: No one.

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Squeaking Wheel  
Won't Get Grease

Gasoline is to be diverted to areas with critical needs. Places where it's just the people who are critical will have to get along with present supplies.

Gina's Edge

Gina Lollobrigida has one important edge on other photographers in doing a camera study of Soviet men. She has no trouble catching their attention.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

**LAKE PEAK  
TO RISE**  
— 1 Year Ago —

As the warm breath of spring melts the ice and snow in Great Lakes country, shoreline property owners are preparing for the worst in their battle against erosion. The latest word from Lake Survey Center spokesman John Hannah is that Lake Michigan will rise about eight and one half inches above its present level to its seasonal peak in July. This means it will be five and one half inches higher than it was during the 1972 peak in September.

**LOCAL MEN  
DEVELOP BUGGY**  
— 10 Years Ago —

Two Berrien County men have received a prototype of a sand dune buggy they designed. This week they tested the vehicle at the Warren Dune state park. And what a wild ride this little buggy gives! It swoops up and down the sand mountains at a 40 mph clip — but it seems much faster because the driver sits very close to the ground.

The two men are Richard Routson of New Buffalo and Garth Chaney of Benton Harbor. Routson is the proprietor of a go-kart track at New Buffalo and Chaney has the go-kart concession at Silver Beach.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

**HOW HUMANE SOCIETY  
GETS ITS FUNDS**

Editor,

In a letter to the editor sometime ago there was a reference to the Humane Society and how fortunate it was to be sustained by the support of both the county and state. Nothing could be, nor is, farther from the truth.

The Society is maintained only by the kind and thoughtful contributions of people who either contribute as members or by their donations when bringing in, or adopting an animal from the Humane Society Shelter.

It should be a heart-warming feeling to people who have contributed in this manner to know that their monies are given to the continuing success of the Society, which previous to its founding was sorely needed in our area.

Our organization is grateful for all the help given it over the years, as without it we would have ceased to operate many years ago.

What is the function of the Society?

1. To take in poor little animals who have been abandoned or lost by their owners.
2. To rescue animals in need who have been abused or cruelly treated.
3. To investigate charges of cruelty and to see that justice is done where it is proven that a person is guilty of a crime where an animal is concerned.
4. To give an animal the best of care while at the Society. This involves medicine food and warm shelter.
5. To hold an animal for a time period of seven days before placing him for adoption so that the original owner has the opportunity to claim his pet.

We feel fortunate to have a fine staff in Mr. & Mrs. Baldwin who devote much time, patience and care in the management of the Society.

Again, the Society survives only with the help of the people. We are not subsidized by any agency of the State or County government.

Bill Stewart  
Vice President  
Humane Society of  
Southwestern Mich.

**'WAKE UP  
MIDDLE CLASS'**

Editor,

I believe it is time for the "Middle Class American" to stand up and be heard. I have read and heard all I can stand about the energy crisis.

All you hear is that you, the citizen, have to do something about it.

First I believe it is time the big "Companies" have to do something without passing the cost on to the American people always.

Second, if the gas and oil shortage is as bad as they say, it is time the big oil companies who have bought up the carburetors are made to let them go. One of these carbs are capable of giving us up to 40 miles per gallon.

Third, if we have engineers capable of sending men to the moon we have men of design that can give us gas mileage and still protect the environment.

I also believe they don't want this because they are afraid the engines would last too long and the people wouldn't have to buy a new car every three years.

Wake up "Middle Class American" and start yelling!

Robert C. Kendzior,  
Bartford, Mich.

**ROCK SHOP  
FULL OF BEAUTY**

Editor,

I have had quite a day today. My cousin Lizzie Foster who has made her home with us this past year is my chance to get out and see what makes the other part of the world go round.

She took me to a place I didn't even know existed. A place they call the Rock Shop near Stevensville.

I never, ever had the pleasure of seeing as many beautiful things as they have in that shop, and mostly made from rocks, Marbles, beads, and a lot of fine work.

So anyone who loves something different and hasn't been there, is missing out on some of the most beautiful work and more different things than I have ever seen under one roof.

When you have an evening to while away, I can't remember the name, but most anyone around Stevensville I'm sure could guide you to it. Go out and enjoy a pleasant visit. You'll be delighted. I'm sure.

Mrs. James Williams  
Berrien Center

**DEFENDS BASE**

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Deputy Secretary of State Kenneth Rush today defended British-American plans for a naval base in the Indian Ocean, declaring the region should not be left for the Soviet navy to monopolize.

Bruce Blosser

A Case Of Share  
And Share Alike

Whatever is to come, it is safe to say that management of the winter phase of the U.S. energy crisis has been largely a botch.

One has difficulty in confining the assignment of blame. Government, the oil industry and the oil-using public have all contributed to a chaos sometimes bordering upon panic.

Louis Halle in 1973 wrote in Foreign Affairs magazine that nuclear war (or any lesser variety which might escalate to it) just isn't going to happen because America and Russia are convinced it is unthinkable.

If he's right, we may not need added assurances, no matter what goes on at the new arms limitation talks or what Defense Secretary James Schlesinger says about shifting our nuclear strategies.

Yet, watching Americans perform in this winter of crisis, it's possible to take further comfort if you need it. We may well have become too incompetent, too disorganized, and too panicky to run a war even if we wanted to. (And it's a good guess from what we know of Russian performance that our Soviet adversaries would probably be worse.)

Let's start with the public behavior. For the most part, I don't buy this stuff that American motorists with only occasional exceptions are a marvelously patient, badly put-upon body of people.

First off, there are far too many sub-animal types who fight, shoot, abuse, cheat on getting into line, or steal at the gasoline station scene. Any even modest survey of conduct in the long station lines gives a painfully fresh ring of truth to the old one that "civilization is only skin deep."

But even the patient folk have among their number an incredible proportion who are gripped by near panic. This "top-off-the-tank" crowd lives

daily with the fantasy that each tank-load of gas may be its last, or that the tank will go dry in some packed tunnel or rural no-man's-land.

As a nation we've always been proud that no big international wars have touched our shores. Evidently it's a very lucky thing. This winter's behavior suggests that one landed boatload of foreign soldiers would touch off an exodus to the hills of cars bearing extra cans of fuel and a full complement of human basket cases.

We can't give any posies, though, to those who are "managing" the crisis. Government officials contradict each other on the severity of the shortage and its likely duration.

The fuel "allocation" system is a mess which the Federal Energy Office explains differently on different days. It's so afraid of the oil industry's bad public image that it declined to use knowledgeable industry people to help smooth out a tangled distribution system. One consequence is such oddities as a Department of Agriculture poultry inspector being put in charge of FEO's Chicago office. Interior Secretary Rogers Morton suggests that fellow may need the yellow pages to find out where the oil truckers are.

Morton himself, with all the best of intentions, recently used misleading terms and figures in talking to newsmen about where sizable amounts of new conventional crude oil can be found in this country.

As for industry, it is well-sprinkled with capable, honest, very well-informed men. But its own conflicting accounts and behavior with respect to available supplies, long-range reserves, refinery capacity, etc. are such that its credibility with the public is as bad if not worse than President Nixon's.

Marionne Means

Press Conference  
Tool Of President

WASHINGTON — President Nixon may feel he is picked on by the press baddies, but he can still have it mostly his own way if he really works at it.

He demonstrated that last week at his press conference, which deteriorated after 10 minutes of questioning into a crude shouting match. It only looked civilized in comparison with the press conference that preceded it four months ago, which was worse.

Much of the President's Watergate defense is based on an underlying premise that he is a helpless individual being done in mercilessly, uniformly and unfairly by the octopus media and its monolithic campaign against him.

If anyone was closely watching the press conference, it should have put a match to that bag of rags immediately. It was painfully clear my profession couldn't organize its way out of a cardboard box.

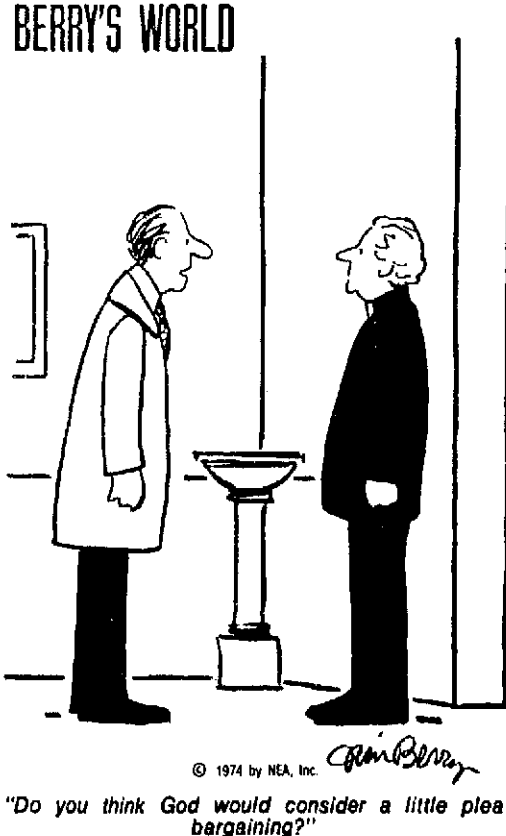
The press conference is the only public forum through which the President may be enticed to comment on unpleasant subjects he won't bring up himself. (There used to be, in addition, regular individual interviews with reporters, but President Nixon hasn't seen a White House specialist alone and for the record since the first glow of his 1972 election victory was dimmed by James McCord.)

Ron Ziegler has declared the subject of Watergate forbidden fruit for White House press briefings, which are supposed to be the official channel for fulfilling the public need to know. Few White House intimates will talk candidly with reporters, for fear of losing their jobs. Occasionally, White House spokesmen are produced for background sessions, but they are thoroughly rehearsed and supervised in their observations.

This fantasy-land wall, during four months in which 30 men close to the President went before the courts, produced predictable frustration. And it exploded, as the President expected it would, in front of the TV cameras last week.

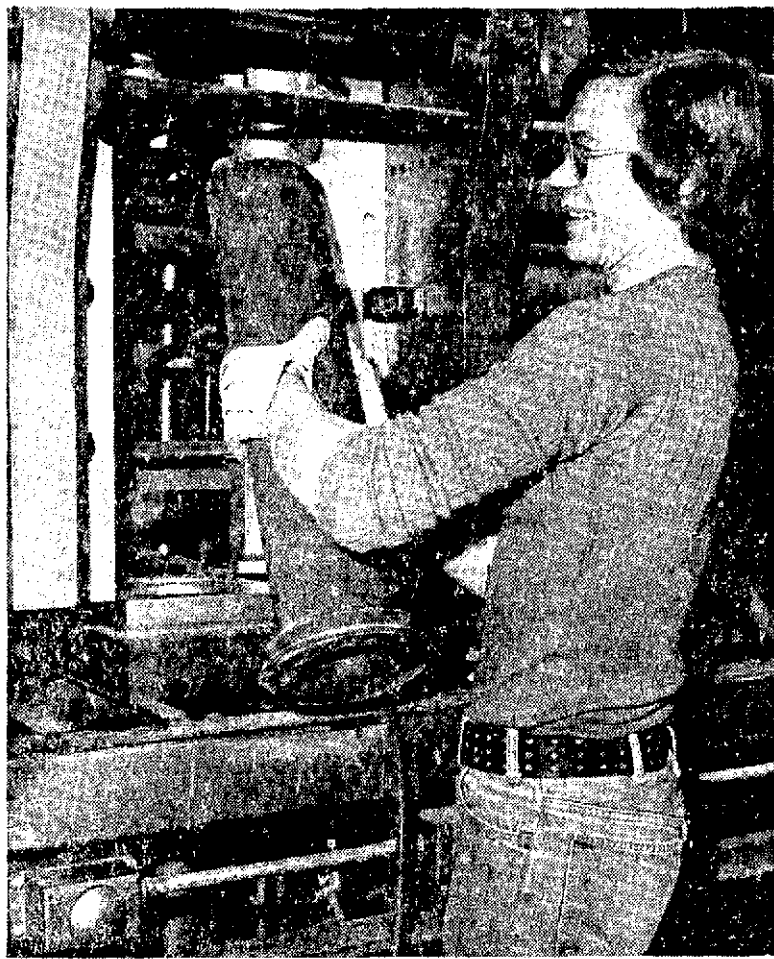
Washington correspondents were well aware of this problem and were concerned that bitterness against the President's attitude had colored the real professionalism of the prior press conference. They talked about it informally, but there was no system for reaching a joint conclusion nor enforcing it if they had.

The truth is the press conference is a tool of the Presidency, not the press. He controls the way it operates, when and if it operates, and from whom the questions come. One-half hour every four months is simply not a satisfactory way to find out what a President is thinking, or if he is thinking.

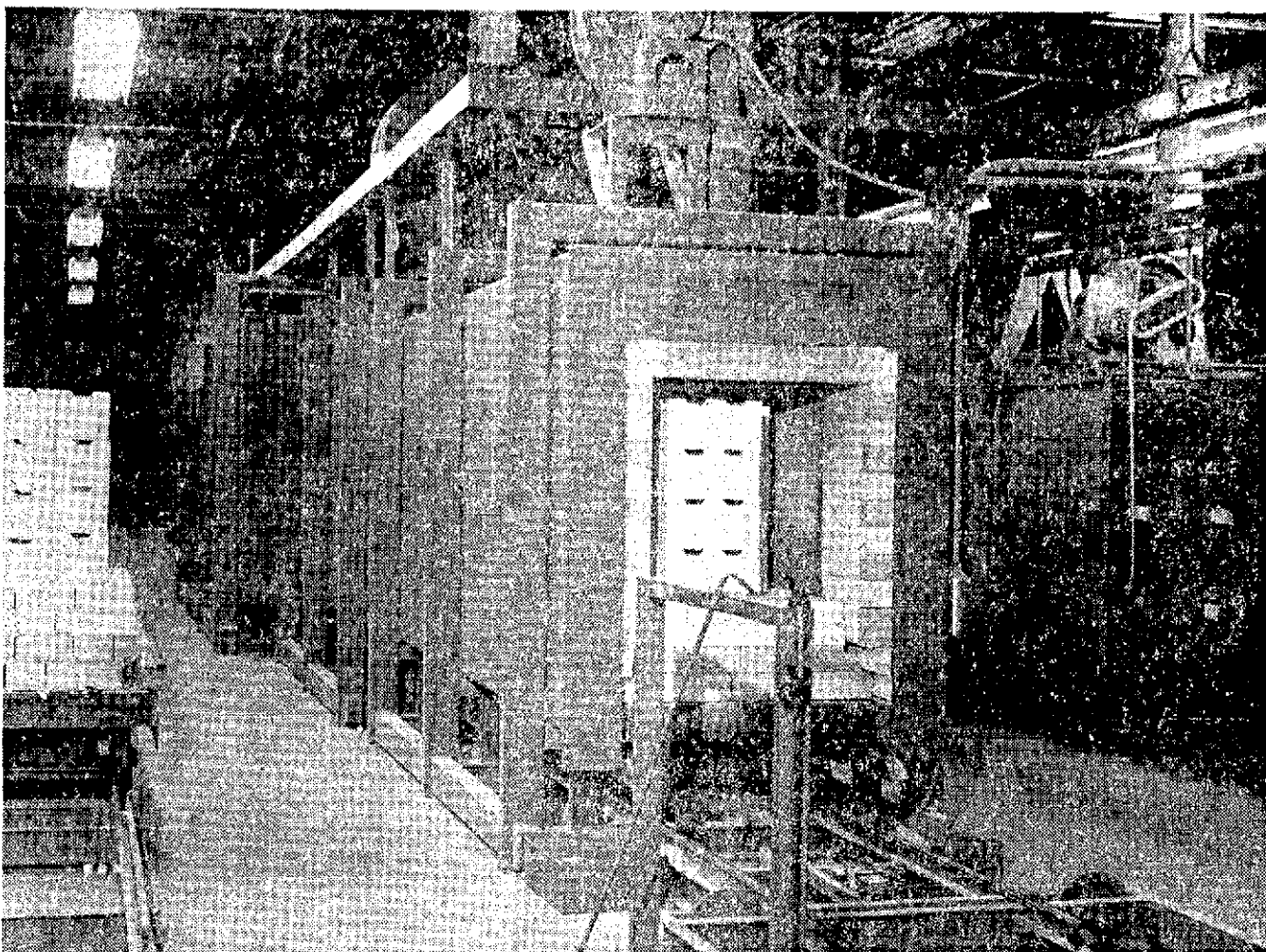




## LECO PUTS 'HOT' ITEM ON WORLD MARKETS



**LECO CERAMICS PROCESS:** LECO Corporation of St. Joseph has entered world markets with ceramics able to withstand high temperatures. The ceramic products are used by steel mills as containers during continuous casting steel production. The ceramics are a key link in the steel process since they do not erode, chip or break under intense heat. Elden Bolton of St. Joseph here removes a refractory ceramics nozzle from an injection machine at LECO.



**CERAMICS KILNS:** LECO mixes raw materials with paraffin wax instead of using the time consuming method of mixing with water. During the unique injection molding process which LECO began developing about four years ago, gray ceramics nozzles are

treated in kilns heated up to 2100 degrees F.. The paraffin is burned out turning tile glistening white. The trade name for the process is LECOR.

## Area Youth May Be Called On To Harvest Crops

Berrien county fruit growers are being surveyed to determine if they want to hire area young people to harvest summer crops.

Announcement was made by Donald W. Weiland, director of a new manpower planning unit for Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce.

Weiland said a manpower questionnaire is being mailed to growers. The possibility of large-scale employment of area youths in the harvest is being considered because of the energy crisis and concern over the migrant labor supply which has dwindled in recent years.

If growers show enough interest, a labor recruitment

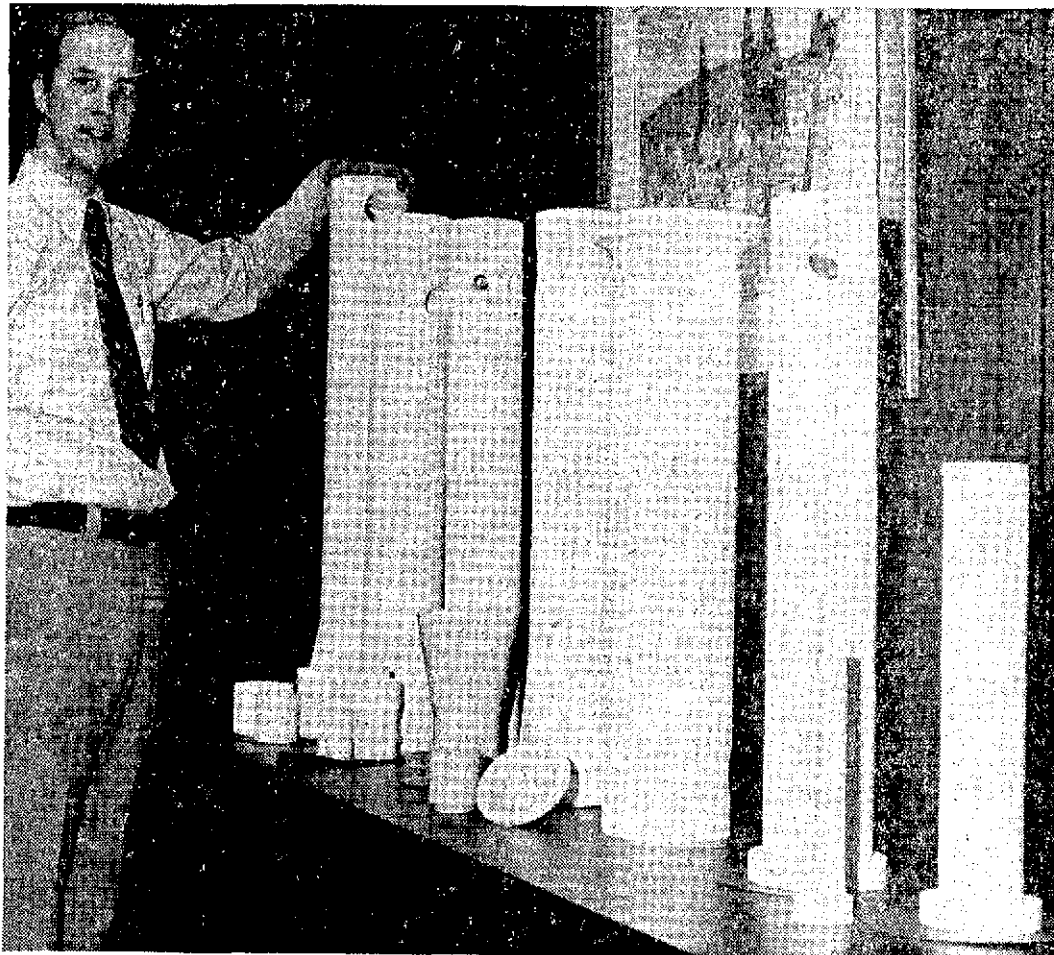
drive will be started by the Summer Youth Employment program, sponsored by Area Resources Improvement Council and Michigan Employment Security Commission.

A former executive at Benton Harbor Malleable Industries, Weiland was hired as manpower planning director for the chamber, under a \$25,000 grant federal grant. Berrien county commissioners last November designated the chamber as recipient of the grant to review existing manpower programs and develop an overall manpower plan for the county.

The objective is to eliminate duplication and attract federal manpower revenue sharing funds.

The questionnaire to growers is being mailed along with their spray calendar from the county extension service office.

Among questions are when additional help is needed, and preferences on pick up sites for labor. Sites listed are Lake Michigan college, Benton Harbor fruit market, Berrien Youth fairgrounds, Bridgman high school, River Valley high school and Watervliet high school. Growers may designate other sites.



**NOZZLES FOR STEEL:** Tom Washer, ceramics sales engineer, shows refractory ceramic nozzles manufactured in the LECO plant. The nozzles range in size from units four feet long down to units of only a few inches and they come in many different

shapes. The nozzle is used by steel mills to contain steel during continuous pouring of molten metal during steel production and is also used to meter the steel to see it doesn't flow too fast or slow.

## Conservationists, Energy Officials To Meet Head-On

Southwestern Michigan alumni of Wayne State University will hold their annual meeting Wednesday, March 13, at Berrien Hills Country.

A program at 8 p.m. is designed to bring energy and ecology face to face. Alumni will hear presentations by representatives of the Donald C. Cook Nuclear plant at Bridgman and the Lake Michigan Federation of Conservation.

The host committee is com-

posed of Twin City residents — Atty. Maurice D. Bublick and Rocco DeFrancesco, George L. Dey, Fran Engle, Thomas B. Johnstone, Dr. Henry J. Klos, Clementine McCauley, Atty. Stuart F. Meek, Ruth H. Ollhoff, Atty. Ronald Taylor, Dr. and Mrs. John J. Turner, and Allan J. Westmaas, Jr.

The area chapter covers Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties.

## Spring Fans Grass Fires

Warm, windy weather Sunday kept Benton township firemen busy, putting out several minor grass blazes.

The grass fires were reported off Red Arrow highway, behind Ron's market, Benton Heights;

at Box 78 Benton Center road; and off the 1800 block of

Plympton.

Township firemen at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, also were called to a paint shop, operated by Thomas Sink, 1500 M-139 South, where a defective heating salamander created smoke. There was no damage to the business, which paint autos and other items, firemen said.

Township firemen were also called to the home of Eula Campbell, 1730 Crystal court, Sunday about 1:52 p.m. on the report of a mattress fire.

The fire was extinguished before firemen arrived with minor damage reported to the mattress. No one was injured. Cause of the fire was undetermined.

Benton Harbor firemen at 8:50 a.m. Sunday, were called to the home of James Batchelor, 474 John street, when an oil furnace ignition malfunctioned. Firemen said there was no blaze and Batchelor had shut off the fuel supply and electricity, pending repairs.



DONALD W. WEILAND  
Manpower Planner

**JEWELRY STOLEN**  
TURIN, Italy (AP) — Two masked men with pistols entered the warehouse at Turin airport early today, forced two security guards to open the safe and escaped with a million dollars worth of diamonds and other jewelry, police reported.

## Two BH Liquor Licensees Ordered To MLCC Hearings

Licensees of two Benton Harbor area establishments have been summoned by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission to appear at hearings March 13 to answer charges of transfer of licenses without obtaining MLCC approval.

Cited are Walker Benning, John A. Robinson and Walter Feldten, Jr., 209 Territorial road (Office lounge), on charges of selling or transferring interest in licenses without MLCC consent; and obtaining licenses for the benefit of a

person whose name does not appear on the license.

Also cited is Riverview Building, Inc., 1565 East Britain avenue (Blossom Trails golf course) on charges of selling or transferring interest in licenses without MLCC consent; and obtaining licenses for the benefit of a person whose name does not appear on the license.

Hearings will be held at Portage police and district court building, Portage.

## Riverside Teen Accused Of Extortion

Benton Harbor police reported a 16-year-old Riverside boy was arrested on a charge of extortion after a woman received a series of calls threatening that her daughter would be killed unless \$100 were paid.

Police said the boy was arrested when Michigan Bell traced a call to Hagar township school No. 6 (Riverside). The successful trace was made after a fourth call had been placed to the home of Mrs. June A. Rogers, 35, of 836 Columbus avenue, Benton Harbor.

Mrs. Rogers notified police after the first call was received shortly after noon Friday. Police said her daughter was located at

Benton Harbor high school and given protection.

Police went to Riverside school on information supplied by Michigan Bell and arrested the boy who was turned over to his parents.

## Bill Would Outlaw Private Clubs For Men Only

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — The Michigan House is expected to take up legislation this week which would ban the exclusion of women from private clubs which hold state food or liquor licenses.

Under a bill ready for House consideration, anyone would be allowed to become a member of such a club.

The bill states that "any club — public or private — which denies membership on the basis of sex, marital status, race, religion color, national origin or blindness" would be subject to fines of at least \$100.

The bill was introduced by Rep. Daisy Elliott, D-Detroit, who heads the House Constitutional Revision and Women's Rights Committee.

Officers reported the boy said the Rogers name was selected at random from the telephone directory.

## Volunteer Drivers Needed

The Berrien county unit of the American Cancer Society is seeking more volunteer drivers to meet an expanded patient transportation program, according to Barbara Pozniwko of Stevensville, unit transportation chairman. Patients are transported to treatment centers in Benton Harbor, Kalamazoo and South Bend, Ind., with drivers reimbursed 10-cents a mile for use of their cars. Information may be obtained from the unit office, 1501 Niles avenue, St. Joseph.

## Vandals Dump Valuable Sand At Bridgman Processing Plant

Berrien sheriff's deputies reported vandals

apparently opened levers on five sand storage silos at Manley Brothers Sand Co. on Livingston road, Bridgman, sometime Sunday evening, allowing some 500 tons of sand to pour out.

Wayne Williams, plant supervisor, said the sand was valued at about \$15,000, but is virtually useless when the different grains are mixed. He said the sand is used in foundry work to make

molds.

Deputies said the vandalism was reported about 10 p.m. Sunday when an employee arrived at work. The flow of sand could not be stopped, officers said, because the shut-off levers were buried in sand.

Deputies said a wall of a nearby machine shop was also damaged by the weight of the sand



## Young Sawyer Boy Burned Seriously

By LYLE SUMERIX  
South Berrien Bureau

SAWYER — Ronald Wade Watkins, 12, of rural Sawyer, one of two youths burned when their fort of hay caught fire Saturday, was listed in serious condition early today at the University of Michigan burn center in Ann Arbor.

State police at New Buffalo said the youth suffered burns to his head, face, back, chest, arms and legs over 35 per cent of his body.

He is the son of Bobby Watkins of Stevensville and Mrs. Tenie Watkins of rural Sawyer.

A second youth, Ray Miller,

11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Miller, California road, Sawyer, escaped from the burning fort and shed without being seriously burned, police said.

The accident occurred on the Miller farm, police said.

Young Miller told officers that he and Ronald had built a fort of bales of hay and straw and had lighted matches inside the fort for illumination.

Ray told troopers the hay caught fire while the boys were in the fort. Ray was able to climb out the top of the fort, police said, but Ronald was trapped temporarily.

Ray ran to the house to get his father, who told police he saw the Watkins boy run from the shed, engulfed in flames. Miller caught the boy and put out the flames.

The youth was taken by Weesaw township fire department ambulance to Memorial hospital, St. Joseph for emergency treatment, before being transferred to Ann Arbor.

Miller told troopers the 12 by 24 foot shed contained about 70 bales.

A third youth, Pat Vance, had been playing in the shed, but went home minutes before the fire, police said.

The Watkins boy is a seventh grader at New Troy and one of four children, all at home.



**COMFORTS CRASH VICTIM:** Sandra M. Andary, left, 18, of Mt. Clemens, comforts Emily E. Sivey, 18, of Mt. Clemens, following two-car crash on I-94 south of New Buffalo yesterday. State police at New Buffalo said victim was passenger in car struck from behind after stopping to let hitchhiker out of

vehicle. She was reported in fair condition at Memorial hospital, Michigan City, Ind., where she is being treated for a fractured spine. Unidentified woman at right was passer-by, state police said. Miss Andary was driver of car. (Don Wehner photo)

## Otsego Man Killed By Hit-Run Auto

ALLEGAN — A 51-year-old rural Otsego man was killed early Sunday morning following a hit and run accident here, on M-89, near Swan avenue, according to Allegan city police.

Police said Jacob Clear, route 3, Otsego, was walking east on M-89 inside the city limits, when he was struck by a car. The accident occurred at 2:53 a.m., according to police. Clear was

pronounced dead on arrival at Allegan General hospital.

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Auto Deaths  
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The death was the third traf-

fic fatality so far this year in Allegan county.

No arrests have been made in connection with the hit and run accident, but police said they have several witnesses, and believe the hit and run car was a 1969 dark green Buick. Police theorize that Clear was walking home, when the accident occurred.

## Burned Girl Now Listed As 'Serious'

BUCHANAN — A Buchanan girl burned in an explosion and fire at her home Feb. 28, has been transferred to the burn center at Bronson hospital, Kalamazoo, where her condition was listed as serious this morning.

Georgia Huston Winkles, 12, suffered burns over 20 per cent of her body. She had been a pa-

tient at Pawating hospital, Niles, until Saturday.

Her brother, John, 10, burned in the same accident was listed in fairly good condition at Pawating hospital today.

Another sister, Gean, 9, was treated for burns and released. All three are children of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Winkles, 416

Walnut street, Buchanan.

Berrien sheriff's deputies at the Galien substation, said the children were burned in an explosion and flash fire as John attempted to light a gasoline lantern in the Winkles' garage.

An older sister, Mary, 14, put out fire on clothing of all three victims.

## Two Children Injured In Twin City Crashes

Two children received apparently minor injuries in traffic accidents, investigated by Twin Cities area police, Saturday afternoon.

Benton township police said Carman Williams, 3, was treated at Mercy hospital and

released, after running into a fender of a moving car in front of her home at 1721 Council drive, about 4:50 p.m.

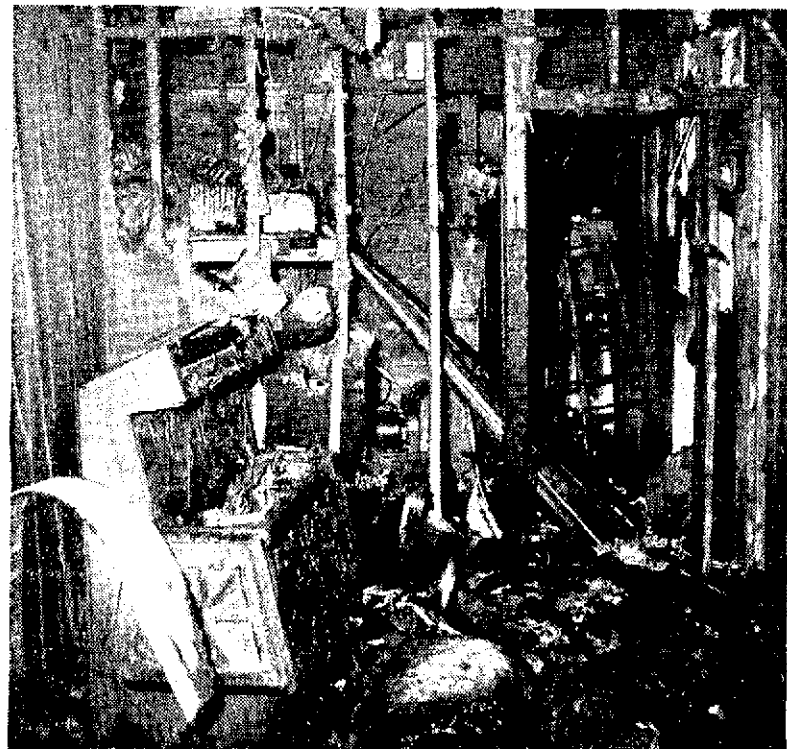
Police said the driver, Curtis Parker, Jr., 21, of 1850 Council drive, was held blameless and no summonses were issued.

In another accident, Remix James, 12, of 707 East Vineyard street, Benton Harbor, was injured but not hospitalized when the bicycle he was riding collided with a car at Washington and Seely streets about 3:30 p.m., according to Benton Harbor police.

Police said the driver was McStanis Louistyne Jones, 35, of 1839 Crystal court, Benton township. No summonses were issued.

### PORPOISE HAS SONAR

WASHINGTON — Scientists believe the porpoise uses a form of sonar, sending out clicking sounds by forcing air from the sacs near the blowholes, and from echoes, knows direction, distance and size of objects.



**FIRE DAMAGES NIGHT CLUB:** Fire caused an estimated \$50,000 to \$75,000 damage to the Derby nightclub, Blue Star Memorial highway, South Haven township, yesterday morning. Fire was confined to inside of recently remodeled building owned by Donald Anderson of South Haven and Herman Miller of Benton Harbor. Building formerly was Rose Villa tavern.

## Trailer Fire Spreads To Barn

DECATUR — Fire of undetermined origin Saturday night destroyed a two-story barn and a small house trailer west of here on CR 215, according to State police at Paw Paw.

Officers said the blaze, which was fought by Decatur fire department was reported about 9:30 p.m.

Firemen reported the blaze started in the trailer and spread to the barn. Police said the trailer was occupied by Floyd Myers, route 2, Decatur.

The barn was owned by Mrs. Fern Tietfort of Dowagiac, and was valued at \$3,000 to \$4,000, troopers stated. No one was injured in the fire.

## Drugs Are Stolen From Physician

PAW PAW — A quantity of drugs was stolen from the office of Paw Paw physician Dr. T.M. McManus, according to Paw Paw village police.

Police said the doctor's office, located in the Center building, Paw Paw avenue, was broken into sometime between closing Saturday afternoon and 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

Reported taken, according to officers, were quantities of morphine and other prescription drugs.

Police said entry was gained by forcing the office door open.

## Jewel Thief Hits At South Haven

SOUTH HAVEN — Jewelry valued at \$1,000 to \$1,500 was reported taken from the Herman Friedman residence, 314 Indiana avenue, Saturday, according to South Haven city police.

Officers said entry was gained by breaking a window sometime between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., when the occupants were not at home. Police said the jewelry was taken from bedroom which had been ransacked.

**YEAR WITHOUT SUMMER**  
WASHINGTON — Eruption of Tomboro in the East Indies in 1816 spread so much dust and volcanic ash in the atmosphere that it shaded out sunshine, producing "the year without a summer."



**HIT FROM BEHIND:** Small compact car in which two Mt. Clemens women were riding was hit from behind when it stalled as it attempted to pull back onto I-94 south of New Buffalo, after dropping off hitchhiker yesterday. One of the women, Emily E. Sivey, 18, received a fractured spine and was listed in fair condition this morning at Memorial hospital, Michigan City, Ind. Driver of other car was identified as William H. Kelly, 67, of Cassopolis. A passenger in the Kelly auto, Lamella Kelly, 60, of Cassopolis, suffered minor injuries. Neither driver was ticketed, police said. (Don Wehner photo)

## Foggy Roads Blamed As State Road Toll Hits 13

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fog-obscured roads contributed to Michigan's weekend highway death count as the toll hit 13, including two double fatalities.

Authorities said James Edward Donahue, 77, and Martha Johnson, 64, both of Midland, died when their pickup truck rolled off foggy South Meridian Road and down an embankment into a five-foot-deep creek Saturday night in Midland County.

Walter Crawford of Fremont and his wife, Esther, no ages available, died in a three-car collision in the fog on Michigan 37 in northwestern Kent County Saturday.

Others killed were: James Batrnzicz, 31, Hemlock, when his car ran off an icy road near Saginaw and struck a tree Saturday.

David Nichols, 16, Detroit, the son of former Detroit Police Commissioner John Nichols, when his car hit a pole on a Detroit street Saturday.

Mark Jaubowski, 21, Ferndale, a pedestrian hit by a car Saturday on Southfield Road in Southfield.

Lawrence Galloway, 27, Detroit, a driver in a two-car broadside collision Friday in Detroit.

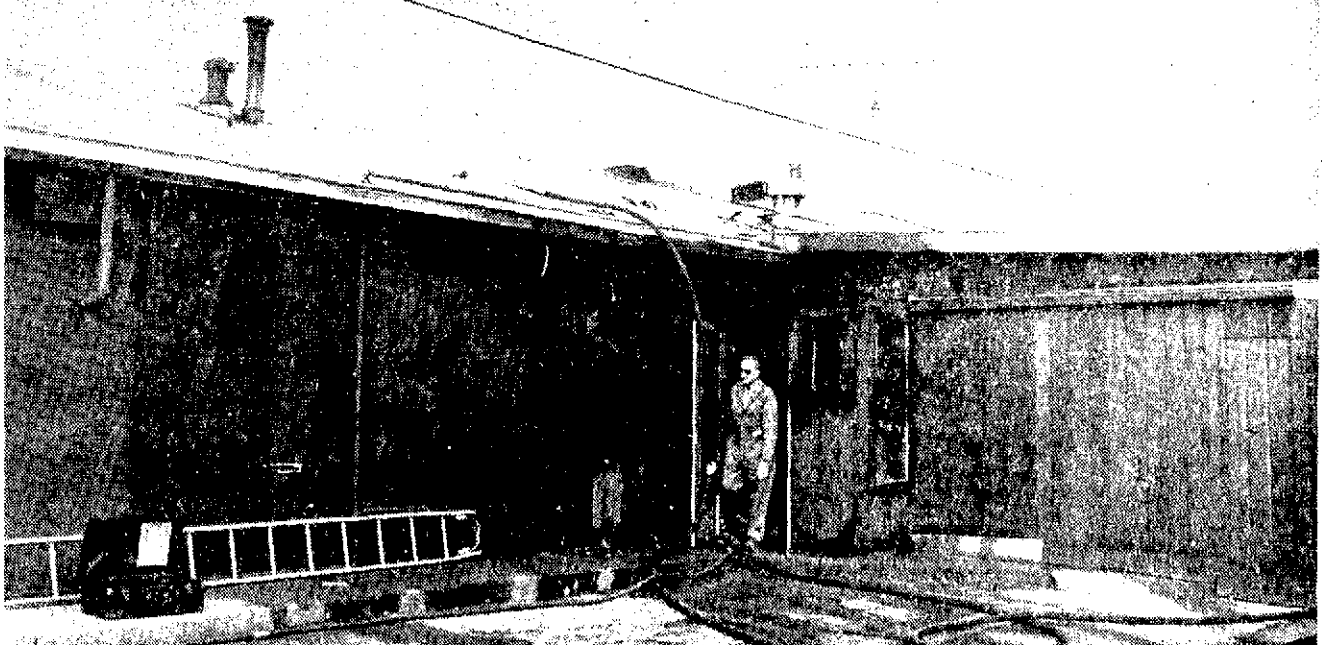
Ann Kopylka, 70, Sterling Heights, a pedestrian in a hit-run accident Friday on Metropolitan Parkway in Sterling Heights.

Terry Linda Potter, 24, Grand Haven, a pedestrian in a hit-run accident Sunday on Michigan 45 in Grand Haven Township, Ot-tawa County.

Jake Clear, 51, Allegan, a pedestrian in a hit-run accident Saturday night on Michigan 89 in Allegan.

Charlotte Stuecken, 70, Luzerne, a passenger in a two-car accident Sunday just north of Rose City in Ogemaw County.

Allan O'Connell, 65, Lexington, pedestrian hit by a car Sunday on U.S. 25 in Sanilac County.



**WHERE FIRE STARTED:** Unidentified South Haven firemen comes out rear entrance to Derby night club that was heavily damaged by fire yesterday morning. Fire is believed to have started by short in neon sign above rear entrance. South Haven

township establishment had not yet opened for the day when 11 a.m. blaze was discovered by a an area resident. (Tom Renner photo)